

**Contaminants Regulated Under the Safe Drinking Water Act**

	1976		1979	1986	1987	1989		1991				1992		
<b>Final Regulations</b>	NIPDWRs 12/75; 7/76		TTHMs 11/79	Fluoride 4/86	Phase I (VOCs) 7/87	TCR 6/89	SWTR 6/89	Phase II 1/91; 7/91				LCR 6/91	Phase V 7/92	
<b>Summary of Final Action</b>	New regs		New reg	<i>Revision</i>	New regs	<i>Revision</i>	1 <i>Revision</i> 4 New regs	38 SOCs & IOCs; 11 <i>Revisions</i> 27 New regs <del>1 Deletion</del>				1 <i>Revision</i> 1 New reg	23 SOCs & IOCs: 1 <i>Revision</i> 22 New regs	
<b># in Regulation</b>	22		1	1	8	1	5	39				2	23	
<b>Cumulative # of regulated contaminants</b>	22		23	23	31	31	35	61				62	84	
<b>Contaminants regulated</b>	2,4-D 2,4,5-TP (Silvex) arsenic barium cadmium chromium coliform bacteria endrin fluoride gross alpha gross beta	lead lindane mercury methoxychlor nitrate radium-226 <sup>1</sup> radium-228 <sup>1</sup> selenium silver toxaphene turbidity	total THMs <sup>2</sup>	<i>fluoride</i>	benzene carbon tetrachloride 1,2-dichloroethane p-dichlorobenzene 1,1-dichloroethylene 1,1,1-trichloroethane trichloroethylene vinyl chloride <sup>3</sup>	<i>total coliforms</i> <sup>2</sup>	<i>Giardia</i> <sup>4</sup> <i>turbidity</i> <sup>4</sup> HPC bacteria <sup>4</sup> Legionella <sup>4</sup> viruses <sup>4</sup>	<i>2,4-D</i> <i>2,4,5-TP</i> acrylamide <sup>4</sup> alachlor aldicarb <sup>5</sup> aldicarb sulfone <sup>5</sup> aldicarb sulfoxide <sup>5</sup> asbestos atrazine <i>barium</i> <i>cadmium</i> carbofuran chlordan	(mono) chlorobenzene <i>chromium</i> dibromochloropropane o-dichlorobenzene cis-1,2-dichloroethylene trans-1,2-dichloroethylene 1,2-dichloropropane epichlorohydrin <sup>4</sup> ethylbenzene ethylene dibromide heptachlor heptachlor epoxide <i>lindane</i> <i>mercury (inorganic)</i>	<i>methoxychlor</i> <i>nitrate</i> nitrite total nitrate/nitrite PCBs pentachlorophenol <i>selenium</i> <del>silver</del> styrene tetrachlorethylene toluene <i>toxaphene</i> xylenes	copper <sup>4</sup> <i>lead</i> <sup>4</sup>	adipate, di(2-ethylhexyl) antimony beryllium cyanide dalapon dichloromethane <sup>6</sup> dinoseb dioxin (2,3,7,8-TCDD) diquat endothall <i>endrin</i> glyphosate	hexachlorobenzene hexachlorocyclopentadiene nickel oxamyl (vydate) PAHs (benzo(a) pyrene) phthalate, di(2-ethylhexyl) picloram simazine thallium 1,2,4-trichlorobenzene 1,1,2-trichloroethane	

	1995	1998		2000	2001
<b>Final Regulations</b>		Stage I DBPR 12/98	Interim ESWTR 12/98	Radionuclides 12/00	Arsenic 1/01
<b>Summary of Final Action</b>	<i>Remand</i>	1 <i>Revision</i> 6 New regs	2 <i>Revisions</i> 1 New reg	4 <i>Revisions</i> 1 new reg	1 <i>Revision</i>
<b># in Regulation</b>	1	7	3	5	1
<b>Cumulative # of regulated contaminants</b>	83	89	90	91	91
<b>Contaminants regulated</b>	<i>nickel</i>	bromate chloramine chlorine chlorine dioxide chlorite haloacetic acids (HAA5) <sup>2</sup> <i>TTHMs</i>	Cryptosporidium <i>Giardia</i> <i>turbidity</i>	<i>gross alpha</i> <i>gross beta</i> radium-226 <sup>1</sup> radium-228 <sup>1</sup> uranium	<i>arsenic</i>

**Notes:**

1. Radium-226 and radium-228 are counted as two contaminants although their standard is combined.
2. Total THMs, haloacetic acids, and total coliforms are counted as one contaminant although both are combined standards: THMs (chloroform, bromodichloromethane, dibromochloromethane, bromoform); TC (total coliform bacteria including fecal coliforms and E.coli); HAA5 (monochloroacetic acid, dichloroacetic acid, trichloroacetic acid, bromoacetic acid, and dibromoacetic acid).
3. Vinyl chloride is also known as chloroethylene & monochloroethylene.
4. These nine contaminants have a treatment technique instead of a MCL.
5. Aldicarb, aldicarb sulfone, and aldicarb sulfoxide are considered regulated contaminants although their MCLs are stayed.
6. Dichloromethane is also known as methylene chloride.

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